## IN THE CLAIMS

On page 9, line 1, after "<u>CLAIMS</u>" insert --I Claim:--.

In Claim 1, line 6, delete "characterised by the fact that it further includes" and insert therefor -- the support device comprising--.

In Claim 2, line 1, delete "in which the" and insert therefor --wherein--.

In Claim 3, line 1, delete "in which the" and insert therefor --wherein--.

In Claim 4, line 1, delete "in which the" and insert therefor --wherein--.

In Claim 5, line 1, delete "in which the" and insert therefor --wherein--.

In Claim 6, line 1, delete "in which the" and insert therefor --wherein--.

In Claim 7, line 1, after "claim" insert --1--.

In Claim 8, line 1, delete "including" and insert therefor --comprising--.

## IN THE ABSTRACT

On page 11, lines 4 - 22, please delete the previous Abstract and insert therefor

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A support device for a rotary drum having at least one roller capable of cooperating with the drum. At least two bearings permit the rotation of the roller about its axis of rotation. The support device has a chassis into which the bearings are secured. The chassis is mounted for pivoting about a pivotal axis substantially perpendicular to the plane passing through the axis of rotation of the roller and perpendicular to a block onto which the support device is placed. The device also includes a connector which is flexible in a given direction and rigid in the directions orthogonal to the direction of flexibility. The connector maintains the bearings on the block